

COLLEGE

Of DESERT

Admission criteria to the VN program is based on a multi-criteria screening and ranking as authorized by the Collifornia Community College Chancellar's office and the Collifornia Record of Vecetional Nursing. the California Community College Chancellor's office and the California Board of Vocational Nursing.

Applicants must meet all program eligibility requirements before being considered for multiple criteria. Students earn points according to the criteria below. Applicants with the highest points are offered seats to the VN program. All documentation/verification must be uploaded with application by the application deadline.

CRITERIA	EXAMPLE OF POSSIBLE POINT DISTRIBUTION	MAXIMUM CATEGORY POINT
1.Grade Point Average in relevant course work. Students can earn points for both sections A and B. Courses in section B are not required for program eligibility but are general education (GE)	 A. Minimum 2.5 GPA in Your Living Body or Anatomy and Physiology Sequence, Intro to Med Dosage, General Nutrition and Introduction Psychology. On-line labs are currently accepted. GPA less than 2.5 not eligible for consideration. GPA = 4.0 or > 15 points GPA = 3.50 - 3.99 10 points GPA = 3.00 - 3.49 5 points GPA = 2.50 - 2.99 0 points 	
requirements for degree.	B. "Fixed Set" GPA calculated upon completion of ALL of the five (5) following courses, prior to application: GPA = 4.0 or > 15 points GPA = 3.50 - 3.99 10 points GPA = 3.00 - 3.49 5 points GPA = 2.50 - 2.99 0 points GPA = 2.00 - 2.49 0 points	30 Points
Resources for course	GI A = 2.00 2.43 0 points	
equivalences: • Transfer Equivalencies Database • COD GE Course Pattern	 ENG 001A OR ENGL C1000 or equivalent course with a research component COMM 001 OR COMM C1000— Public Speaking or COMM 009 — Intro to Interpersonal Communication or COMM 013 — Small Group Communications or COMM 017 -Intercultural Communication or equivalent (3 unit minimum) Math 049 (Intermediate Algebra) or higher or college level statistics (SOC 003 or Math 014 or equivalent) OR *COD GE Area C2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning (3 unit minimum) PSY 001 OR PSYC C1000 - General Psychology or PSY 003 - Developmental Psychology or equivalent (3 unit minimum) Sociology 001 - Introductory Sociology or Sociology 014 — Introduction to Race & Ethnicity or Sociology 015 - Mexican American Culture & Society or Anthropology 002 - Cultural Anthropology or Anthropology 007 — Anthropology of Religion, Magic, Witchcraft, and Healing or equivalent OR *COD GE Area C6: Ethnic Studies (3 unit minimum) 	
2.Academic degrees or diplomas, or relevant certificates held by an	A. CNA, MA, EMT, or military healthcare provider (Medic, Corpsman, etc.) (≥ 500 hours) = 15 points a. Verification via copy of certificate or license AND paystubs or	
Recent work or volunteer experience with direct human patient care within the past 5 years. Must have	letter from employer verifying 500 hours within the past 5 years B. Relevant health care work or volunteer experience in a healthcare setting in which the RN is employed and doing direct patient care. (≥200 hours within past 5 years) = 10 points a. Verification via letter verifying >200 hours within the past 5 years	30 Points
verification from human resources or employer verifying the number of hours worked and job title.	 C. Graduate from a high school health academy in the Coachella Valley = 5 points a. Verification via copy of certificate or official transcripts verifying academy completion 	

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3.Veteran	Provide documentation (DD214)	9 Points
4.Life experience or special circumstances of an applicant, including, but not necessarily limited to the following: 1. Disabilities 2. Financial Need 3. First generation of family to attend college 4. Worked during prerequisite courses 5. Disadvantaged environment 6. Difficult circumstances 7. Refugee	You may select one of these life experiences circumstances to earn 5 points. 1. Documentation of disability. a. Verification via transcript or DSPS accommodations form 2. Documentation of financial need a. Copy of financial award letter, documented eligibility of Cal/Works, EOPS, Notice of Action letter from CA Dept of Social Services, or CalFresh/SNAP verification 3. First generation college student a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement 4. Documentation of employment during prerequisite courses work a. Letter from employer verifying employment history dates or copy of paystubs reflecting dates of employment during prerequisite course work 5. Disadvantaged environment a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement 6. Difficult circumstances a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement 7. Refugee a. Verification via 250-500 word personal statement	5 Points
5. Languages Documented proficiency or advanced level of coursework in languages other than English. Credit for languages other than English shall be received for languages that are identified by the Chancellor's Office.	Ability to communicate in a health care setting in a language in addition to English: A. Spanish = 10 Points B. American Sign Language, Tagalog, Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, Russian, various languages of Indian Subcontinent and S.E. Asia or other languages = 5 points Verification via 250-500 word personal statement including the following: 1. How the applicant became fluent in other languages 2. In what situations has the applicant utilizes other languages 3. How often applicant utilizes other languages 4. How comfortable applicant would be speaking in other language utilizing medical terms in a healthcare setting	10 Points
6.Completion of Nursing support courses or equivalent Course completed with a grade of: (A) 90-100% = 2 points a course (B) 80-89% = 1 point a course	 A. HS 061 – Medical Terminology B. HS 065 – Basic Pharmacology C. HS 071 – Strategies for Success/Nursing Program D. BUMA 032 – Human Relations in the Workplace 	6 points
7. College of the Desert Student	Students who have completed 12 units at College of the Desert = 10 pts a) Verification via student records, transcripts not required	10 points
		100 points maximum